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Coins for Lent 2023 a Discipleship Ministries Lenten Project





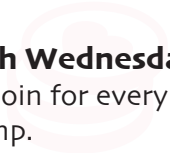
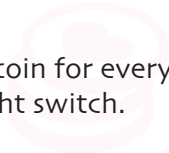
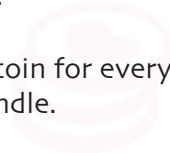
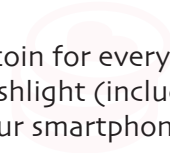
During Lent, many of us are reminded once again to examine our lifestyles and ask, "What can we do for others?" Part of faith formation at any age is compassion and offering a serving heart to our neighbors. These past few years have been challenging when trying to find ways to serve our neighbors while remaining physically distant. This time has also reminded us that we need to demonstrate compassion to others now more than ever. Lent is a good time to commit to giving money to a project that helps those in need. One way to involve the whole family is to collect coins during the season of Lent. Following Easter we will donate half the money raised to the Caritas Food Pantry to be used to purchase food for the hungry, and half the money raised to our ELCA mission project Health For Life, that provides water filters to hundreds of families in Honduras

What coin do you give? We recommend a penny for each item on the Lenten Giving Calendar attached. You may feel extra blessed this year and you may want to contribute a quarter or dollar coin for every item on the daily giving calendar. Or you may want to simply collect loose change and give whatever coins you have, one for each item.

Items on the daily guide will remind us of all we have and how little others may have. Each Sunday, pray for the project and the people who will benefit from your gifts. Our giving begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes with Holy Saturday. During Lent, Sundays are for worship and praise to God and are reflected with a weekly day of prayer.

We will have a large container at the church and you can make a container to collect the money in your home. Use a plastic tub, jar, or a coin bank that you aren't currently using. Decorate it and place it where the entire family can see it (and contribute to it). Each week put your container of coins into the church's container then refill yours with coins for the items on the next week's Lenten Giving Calendar.



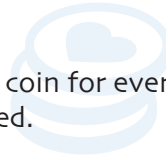
February

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19	20 	21 	22 Ash Wednesday A coin for every lamp. 	23 A coin for every light switch. 	24 A coin for every candle. 	25 A coin for every flashlight (include your smartphone). 
26 Pray today, thanking God for the gift of light. Pray for those who live in darkness.	27 A coin for every box of cereal.	28 A coin for every can of soup.				

March

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1  A coin for every type of bread.	2  A coin for every jar of jelly.	3  A coin for every bottle of salad dressing.	4  A coin for every jar of peanut butter.
5 Pray today, thanking God for the food you enjoy. Pray for those who have no food this day.	6  A coin for every ball cap or hat.	7  A coin for every pair of shoes.	8  A coin for every pair of jeans or pants.	9  A coin for every coat.	10  A coin for every t-shirt.	11  A coin for every sweatshirt.
12 Pray today, thanking God for clothing that protects you from the elements. Pray for those who lack clothing to keep them warm and dry.	13  A coin for every ball or piece of athletic equipment.	14  A coin for every electronic video game.	15  A coin for every smart device (phones, tablets, etc.).	16  A coin for every television.	17  A coin for every doll or stuffed animal.	18  A coin for every board or card game.
19 Pray today, thanking God for how you can enjoy entertainment in your home. Pray for those who would be grateful for just one of these items.	20  A coin for every box of band-aids.	21  A coin for every bottle of vitamins.	22  A coin for every box of tissues.	23  A coin for every bottle of hand sanitizer.	24  A coin for every toothbrush and tube of toothpaste.	25  A coin for every cough drop in your house.
26 Pray today, thanking God for your health. Pray for those who are sick.	27  A coin for every room in your home.	28  A coin for every electrical outlet in your home.	29  A coin for every chair in your home.	30  A coin for every desk (virtual work/school) in your home.	31  A coin for every bathroom.	

April

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1  A coin for every bed.
2 Palm Sunday Pray today, thanking God for shelter. Pray for those who have no place to sleep at night.	3 A coin for every Bible.	4 A coin for every book of hymns or sacred songs in your home.	5 A coin for every cross in your home.	6 A coin for every prayer you say today.	7 A coin for every story of Jesus you can tell.	8 A coin for every person in your family.
9 Easter Sunday Pray, thanking God for Jesus and for the many ways we can gather and worship God. Pray for those who will receive the coins collected that they would see God's presence through them.	10	11	12	13	14	15
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